

duster in which much interest has been centered. The consensus of opinion of the most reliable and best posted dealers and operators, was in opposition to the results reported. Most of the producers thought it would be a well of the kind which would eventually pay out. But in this test the practicality theoretical failed to tally, and a well deemed best exists no longer. The well in question is located on the east side of the New Freeport development in Greene county, on the James W. Martin farm, and was drilled by the South Penn Oil Company and the Fisher Oil Company, each bearing half of the cost of drilling the well, which was hopelessly dry.

posed a rate of \$100 on any person collecting garbage or material from the city streets. It was further provided that the city engineer should at once begin work on the main sewerage system, and that no building should be erected or altered until a plan had been approved by the city engineer. The city engineer has been authorized to issue orders for the removal of any building or structure which is found to be a nuisance or a hazard to the public health. The city engineer has also been authorized to issue orders for the removal of any building or structure which is found to be a nuisance or a hazard to the public health. The city engineer has also been authorized to issue orders for the removal of any building or structure which is found to be a nuisance or a hazard to the public health.

So did the Waynesburg Oil & Gas Company score a failure on other highly important well in Grant township this week, with the result of causing the well to produce. This venture was located in the old Mt. Morris district and upon the Savers farm.

In Washington county, Ohio, the United States Geological Survey completed work on an important well this week on the McGregor farm, which may open the way to the finding of some good Big Injun producers. The well is a small pumper, but a liberal shot may change its present status and convert it into a good paying venture. The United States people have been looking for oil in Washington and hold some valuable territory in this locality.

CONTEMPORARY CONTRIBUTION

CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION
Of the Republicans of the Sixteenth
Ohio District Will Be Held in Bel-
lair, April 1—Predicted That Con-
gressman Gill Will Be Renomina-
ted by Acclamation.
Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
STUEBENVILLE, O., March 2.—The
Republican congressional committee for
the Sixteenth District met in Jackson

McD. Miller's office Friday morning. Those present were Hon. D. O. Rutan, of Carroll; T. B. Rouse, of Monroe; Prof. J. H. Beal, of Selo, who held the proxy of Hon. S. K. McLaughlin, of Harrison, and D. W. Beall, of Jeffer-

They decided to hold the convention at Bellaire, April 4, at 10 a. m., and the appointment of delegates on the Nash vote by counties is as follows: Belmont, 66; Carroll, 24; Harrison, 28; Jefferson, 54; Monroe, 6; total, 188.

Temporary officers are: W. T. Perry, of Cadis, for chairman, and Dr. R. A. Ferguson, of Monroe, for secretary. Congressman J. J. Gill, of Steubenville, will be re-nominated by acclamation.

SISTERSVILLE NOMINATIONS

For Candidates for City Offices—Two Tickets in the Field.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

SISTERSVILLE, W. Va., March 2.—Two conventions were held in this city

last evening to nominate candidates for city offices. The Democratic convention, which was slimly attended, put forth the following ticket: For mayor, C. W. Grier; city recorder, J. H. Pine; collector and treasurer, E. A. Riggall; assessor, C. B. Pontalre; councilmen, First ward, Charles Thistle; Second

ward, Joseph W. Boyer; Third ward, C. C. McCammick; Fourth ward, Andrew Bonner and W. J. McCoy. The following auditors were also nominated: H. P. Myers and G. B. West.

The Citizens' convention nominated the same officers that now rule the city, with the exception of the head of the ticket and city recorder. The nominations were as follows:

For mayor, S. W. Lawrence; city re-

corder, Lynn Kirtland; collector and treasurer, C. E. Schuppach; assessor, G. L. Lowther; auditors, W. D. Moore and George F. Durham; councilmen: First ward, F. I. Sweetland; Second ward, W. H. Hall; Third ward, C. A. B. Smith; Fourth ward, W. E. Cummings.

AN ALLEGED WHEELING

Man Bearing the Name of James K. Polk, in Trouble at Steubenville.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

STEUBENVILLE, O., March 2.—James K. Polk, a distant relative of one of the presidents, weight 110 pounds, and hailing from Wheeling, where he says he was in the hospital, in spite of his emaciated condition, kept the police busy yesterday afternoon trying to lapd him, which they did, and he is in jail, waiting for the grand jury to act. His future address will be the

Ohio penitentiary. He first went into the home of Mrs. Hannah Floto, aged eighty-six, and when she detected him trying to get away with a mackintosh, he knocked her down. Next he went to Amos Borden's home, and the family being away at a funeral, he broke a window pane and putting on a suit of clothes and collaring a clock, he left. During the night in the lock-up, he tore the extra suit of clothes into ribbons.

Death of a Veteran B. & O. Engineer.
Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
MARTINSBURG, W. Va., March 2.—James B. Dyche, a highly respected citizen, died here this afternoon of paralysis. He was in his seventy-first year, and for fifty years had been a locomotive engineer on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, and was in active service until a few days ago. He leaves a family of ten children.

Fire at Hinton.
Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
HINTON, W. Va., March 2.—The Fair, a department store, owned by A. R. Sines, of this city, was gutted by fire early this morning. Loss about \$4,500, with \$3,000 insurance. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective flue.

Celebrated—Expresses a Desire for Peace in South Africa.

ROME, March 2.—The pope this afternoon received in the throne room the members of the Sacred College and the Roman prelates, who presented his holiness with congratulations upon the occasion of his birthday. The pontiff's reply was read by Monsignor Miscit-

tell. After thanking the prelates for their wishes as to his health, the pope dwelt on the divine mercy "which sometimes makes use of the weakest to guide, during many years, Peter's bark." He referred to the holy year celebrations and the demonstrations in honor of Giordano Bruno (the Italian philosopher) attributing the latter to the work of satan, and concluded with expressing his keen desire that blood

would cease to flow in South Africa, "where two peoples, although brothers, are slaughtering one another," and hoped they would soon meet and embrace in the kiss of peace.

In Belmont County.
The wildcat is now turning his attention to the territory in Belmont county, Ohio, near Barnesville, and the coming season will witness considerable work of an experimental nature. From present indications it will

not be the least surprising to see tangible results developed and a new pool of some consequence opened up, although nothing big is looked for. The writer had an interesting talk with Hon. J. M. Gunley, who secured a large block of territory in that locality some twelve or fifteen months ago, and also

took up quite a large tract in Noble county. He said that he had much faith in the territory, and drilled his first producer on the Peffer property, four months ago, which is now doing eight or ten barrels a day. He further said he had just finished drilling another test well near the Noble county line, located upon the Armbruster farm, which he thought would settle down to twelve or fifteen barrels a day. Mr. Guflay has a second well about due in the sand on the Peffer farm and is drilling two other test wells in Noble county.

The storied town of Belmont becomes imbued with the excitement in Belmont county, and in a few days will find the pay sand (if one exists) in their test well on the Taggart farm. If success crowns their efforts by No. 1, they will go ahead and drill several more tests.

Other parties have secured leases in this locality, and when springtime comes will do some wildcatting in both

Noble and Belmont counties.
In Monroe County.

Attention is invited this week to the test well just completed by Cameron & Company, in the Chester Hill development in Monroe county. It is located upon the Wagner farm, and late reports which come from an authentic source, say the new venture when put in pumping order, will make at least fifty barrels a day. A reliable scout says this country will bear a little

There is no falling off in interest or new work in the shallow sand developments in Pleasant county, W. Va. The sand here for the past eight or

The record here for the past ten days has been remarkable. Nearly all the wells completed were fine producers, the average caliber being above that of the wells finished for some time, while the percentage of failures was exceedingly small.

The Corsicana field in far-away Texas, is still to the front and attracting attention of late than for the

more attention of the market in the past year. The price of Texas crude oil was advanced last week three cents on the barrel, making the quotations at the wells \$1 11.

Operations are on the increase in the Canadian field and the quotations for Petrolia and Oil Springs oil are \$1 73 and \$1 77.

During the week a hundred barrel well was struck in Butler county, Pa., one and a half miles from the Shrader pool, and located upon the Thomas Lindsay farm, which crested some 10

cal excitement. It is owned by Miller & Co., and the oil was found in the 100-foot. The sand is of good quality and lots of it and every indication at present points to the development of a new 100-foot pool.

The report of operations for the month of February is one of the most bullish reports issued for many months. As compared with January's operations there was a decline in the number of wells completed and also in the amount of new production, in Pennsylvania oil. It also shows there

was no new territory which produced an output of any consequence, except Wolf Summit, in Harrison county, and the Camden pool, in Lewis county, W. Va. The figures indicate, too, that the same bullish aspect prevails in Ohio and Indiana that is shown in the eastern fields, and that fewer wells were completed in February than in January, while the decline in new production, if anything, was greater.

THE SCOUT.

BY ALAN T. SPENCER, Washington

National League meeting.
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—President Young has issued a call for a re-convening of the annual meeting of the National League and American Association of professional baseball clubs, to be held at the Fifth Avenue hotel next Wednesday, March 7, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Mr. Young has promulgated the following contracts:

With Brooklyn—Daly, Dahlen, Yeager, Steinman, Kennedy, Kelley, Hill.

Parrell, Donovan, Casey and Anderson.
With New York—Gleason.

The President in New York.

NEW YORK, March 2.—President McKinley and party arrived at Jersey City from Washington at 4:50 p. m. They were met at the Pennsylvania railroad station by Abner McKinley and Miss Mabel McKinley. The party then proceeded to the Hotel Manhattan.

tan, where they will remain while in this city.

Weather Forecast.

Fair West Virginia; Western Pennsylvania and Ohio: Fair Saturday and Sunday; westerly winds, becoming variable.

Local Temperature.

The temperature Thursday, as observed by C. Schnepf, druggist, corner of Market and Fourteenth streets, was as follows:

7 a. m.	42	3 p. m.	5
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7 a. m.	47	1 p. m.	30
12 m.	42	Weather changeable.	
Friday.			
7 a. m.	26	1 p. m.	26
9 a. m.	29	3 p. m.	26
12 m.	32	Weather fair.	